

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES



April 25, 1984

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 84-48

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: DEPENDENT ADULT AND ELDER ABUSE SURVEY

REFERENCE:

The Statistical Services Branch (SSB) has been requested by program management to conduct a characteristics survey of dependent adults and elders who, under the provisions of Chapter 1184, Statutes of 1982 (AB 1805) and Chapter 1273, Statutes of 1983 (SB 1210), have been reported as having been abused.

This legislation requires the Department of Social Services to report to the Legislature on specified characteristics of the reported victims of abuse. To gather data for the report, July 1984 has been selected as the study month.

Because of the differences in reporting requirements, two populations will be identified in this study month:

- o The dependent adult population will be identified individually by as many of the 58 counties as choose to voluntarily participate. The participating counties will provide SSB with a count of the reported dependent adult abuse victims. From this count, SSB will determine the study universe.
- o The elder population will be identified individually by each of the 58 counties. Each county will provide SSB with a count of the reported elder abuse victims. From this count SSB will determine the study universe.

As one of the first steps in this project, each county should submit the name of a person to act as liaison. We need the following information:

Liaison Name
Title
Mailing Address
Telephone Number

We will also need to know if your county will be participating in the dependent adult portion of the survey. Please telephone or mail this information to arrive by May 11, 1984.

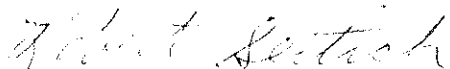
Your timely response will be appreciated. Please direct this response, as well as any comments or questions relative to this survey to:

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The project study plan and the timeline will be forwarded to your liaison in late May 1984.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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Administration